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SUBJECT: UNGA APPEAL TO AMNESTY ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS

AND UN DAY TOAST

1. YOU SHOULD BY NOW HAVE A DRAFT UN RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AMNESTY OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS. THIS WOULD BE AN AMERICAN INITIATIVE, FOLLOWING ON THE HEELS OF A RESOLUTION WHICH HAS ALREADY PASSED THE COMMITTEE STAGE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CALLING FOR AMNESTY FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS IN SOUTH AFRICA. I FULLY APPROVE THIS TEXT, BUT DID NOT SEE THE NOTE THAT ACCOMPANIED IT, WHICH STATES THAT THE SECRETARY HAS "AGREED" TO THIS MOVE. ALL HE AGREED TO WAS THAT IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA AND I SHOULD GET HIM A DRAFT. I HAVE KEPT IT VERY CLOSE FOR THAT REASON.

2. ON THE OTHER HAND, I DO THINK IT A VERY GOOD IDEA. IT SOLVES A GREAT RANGE OF PROBLEMS, INCLUDING SOME IN KOREA, CHILE, AND SPAIN, THERE IS IN ANY EVENT AN OLD TAMMANY SAYING: "WHEN IN DOUBT, DO THE RIGHT THING."

3. IT OCCURS TO ME THAT IT WOULD BE BRILLIANT FOR THE SECRETARY TO ANNOUNCE THIS INITIATIVE IN HIS UN DAY TOAST. THAT WOULD TAKE THE GLOOM OFF THE OCCASION.

4. MEANT TO TELL YOU THAT IN THE ZIONISM IS RACISM

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VOTE, MALAWI WAS MOST HELPFUL.

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